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In re application: Barbera-Guillem et. al. Group Art Unit: 1644  
Serial No.: 09/643,595 Examiner: Roark, Jessica H.  
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Title: METHODS FOR IMMUNOTHERAPY OF AN IMMUNE RESPONSE WHICH  
PROMOTES A DISEASE CONDITION COMPRISING MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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RESPONSE TO SECOND OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

This response addresses those issues raised in the second Office Action dated November 30, 2001 which issued in connection with the above-referenced application. The one-month period for replying to this Office Action expired on December 30, 2001. Accordingly, Applicant submits herewith a petition for a three-month extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 (a) to extend the response time to March 30, 2002. Accordingly, this Response is timely filed.

Please review the above-identified applications in view of the following remarks.

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